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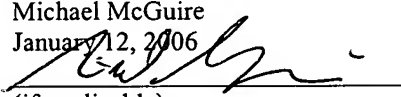
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Applicant : Pezzato et al.  
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#### REQUEST FOR STATUS

Sir:

Applicant has not received a filing receipt or a Notice to File Missing Parts, but believes that such documents should have been issued in view of the August 25, 2005 filing date.

On November 30, 2005, Applicant submitted an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by the inventors. The submission included a precautionary petition in the event a Notice to File Missing Parts had been issued without being received by Applicant's attorneys.

The U.S. PTO Deposit Account of Applicant's attorneys has not been charged with the fee for late filing of an oath or declaration, and Applicant's attorneys do not know if this submission was properly associated with the file so that the application is now complete and in condition for examination.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request information concerning the status of the application, and, specifically, regarding the status of the filing receipt and Notice to File Missing Parts, and the Declaration and Power of Attorney submitted November 30, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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